

WIND FANS SERIOUS FIRE

In the Heart of Business District in Rochester, N. Y.

GENERAL ALARM GIVEN

Flames Broke Out at Noon To-day and Threatened to Make One of the Worst Disasters That City Ever Experienced.

Rochester, N. Y., April 13.—A general fire alarm was turned in this afternoon for a fire in the heart of the business district of the city. The flames broke out at about noon and were fanned by a fierce gale. A block of four flat buildings on Grove street and St. Peter's Presbyterian church were at once threatened with destruction. The fire gained such headway in the wind that it was soon beyond control, although the firemen were working hard to prevent a disaster. Four persons are reported to have been seriously injured by jumping from the upper windows of the buildings.

BUSINESS IS PICKING UP.

Operations Resumed at a Marble Mill in West Rutland.

Rutland, April 13.—The True Blue marble mill at Whipple Hollow, near West Rutland, owned by the Rutland-Florence Marble company of Fowler, were reopened for business yesterday after a shutdown which began last December because of a falling off of orders. A representative of the concern said that business was picking up a good deal and the company was looking for the 16 grades in the mill manned by 60 workmen by the end of this week.

Wants Wholesale License.

An application has been filed with the secretary of state by E. S. Meigs of Montpelier for a wholesale license to sell intoxicating liquor. The law provides that the secretary of state may grant such licenses in towns and cities voting for license. If the license is granted, Mr. Meigs expects to locate in Burlington.

Grover Cleveland Could Talk; But He Could Also Listen.

In the April American Magazine Jesse Lynch Williams, long a warm personal friend of the late Grover Cleveland, gives way to the importunities of his friends and tells some interesting anecdotes about the great statesman, recounting some of his whimsical and humorous stories. He writes:

"Great men are often great bores; admirable in treating chiefly as curiosities. Friendship seldom thrives on greatness. It takes two to make a quarrel or a friendship. It requires giving as well as receiving. Greatness is apt to consume the capacity for real friendship. Mr. Cleveland, however, was one of those who made his friends. He set great store by them. He liked to be with them. Naturally, they liked to be with him—not, however, because it was an honor and privilege and a liberal education, merely, but because he was such good company. His humor, sympathy and simple friendliness, which the world at large had little chance to see, were the most characteristic traits about him to those who saw him most."

"He was not a great talker. Once in a while something would start him going, and he would run on for half an evening with reminiscences and comments on men and events—wonderful talk which ought to have been recorded even if never printed—but for the most part he let others do the talking; he listened. Like many men of attainment, though not all, he was a most inspiring listener, with a flattering manner of regarding you while talking as if your views upon the topic of conversation were quite worthy of attention as his own."

To Make Cloth Water-proof.

"Take eight ounces of sugar of lead, eight ounces of powdered alum and two and one half gallons of lukewarm water," says Woman's Home Companion for April. "Mix in a tub, and let stand for twenty-four hours. Stir thoroughly when first mixed and occasionally for the first hour, to dissolve the ingredients. Take the garment (overcoat, suit or dress, anything of woolen or cotton material) brush thoroughly, and let soak for twenty-four hours. Take out, let drip until almost dry (don't wring), hang in the air until dry, then press as usual. Water will fall off as from the proverbial 'duck's back.' One can see suit treated in this way, on hunting trips and in a driving rain, and come home dry. It does not destroy or interfere with the ventilation or intire the fabric in the slightest degree. The quantities as given here cost about twenty cents, and will successfully water-proof an overcoat and suit, or in proportion."

AN IMPORTANT CHANGE.

Which Requires Recording of Names of Co-partners in Business.

A new Vermont law which has recently gone into effect needs to be called to the attention of the business and manufacturing interests lest they overlook it. The law requires that all co-partnerships and all associations, except corporations, doing business in this state must record in the city clerk's office before June 1, 1909, the names of the members doing business under the name, together with other specifications contained in the following section:

"Section 1. A person doing business in this state on the first day of April, 1909, under any name other than his own, and every co-partnership or association of individuals except corporations doing business in this state on said last named day under any name which does not contain the surnames of all co-partners or members thereof without any other descriptive or designating words except the Christian names or initials of such co-partners or members, shall on or before the first day of June, 1909, cause to be recorded in the clerk's office in the town or city wherein the principal place of business of such person, co-partnership or association is located, a return setting forth the name under which such business is carried on, the name of the town or city wherein such place of business is located, a brief description of the kind of business to be transacted under said name, and the individual names and residences of all persons, co-partners or members so doing business thereunder; and shall on or before said last named date file with the commonwealth of state taxes a like return. The aforesaid return shall be subscribed and sworn to by one or more of the persons so doing business."

The law also has certain corporations as well to be noted by the following section:

"Section 2. A corporation doing business in this state under any name other than that of the corporation shall be subject to all the provisions of this act; and shall in like manner file returns sworn to by some officer or member of such corporation, setting forth the name other than the corporate name under which such business is carried on, the name of the town or city wherein such business is to be carried on, a brief description of the kind of business to be transacted under said name, and the corporate name and location of the principal office of such corporation."

City Clerk Mackay has sent for blanks for the convenience of local parties who may be called upon to make such statements, and he expects to receive them in a short time.

SICK WOMAN IN FIRE.

Blaze at Rutland Yesterday Did About \$1,000 Damage.

Rutland, April 13.—The house at 70 Prospect street, owned by John B. Byer and occupied by the family of James R. Barber and S. J. Connor, was damaged by fire to the extent of \$1,000 yesterday. Mrs. Connor, who was sick and confined, was rescued from the burning house by the firemen.

GOVERNOR LILLEY GAINING.

The Doctors Report His Condition to Be Gratifying.

Hartford, Conn., April 13.—The condition of Governor George D. Lilley, who is ill at his residence here, was reported yesterday morning by the attending physicians as encouraging. The governor slept well through the night, particularly during the latter part, and woke up in the morning feeling refreshed. He took nourishment and greeted those in the sick room cheerfully. Later he spoke a few words with Mrs. Lilley. He is now resting comfortably. The statement given last evening by Dr. Graves said: "The governor passed a comfortable night and his condition this morning, while not materially changed from yesterday, is gratifying."

DIED VERY SUDDENLY.

Carl R. Storrs Died at New York Today of Heart Failure.

Newport, April 13.—Carl R. Storrs, deputy collector and inspector of customs, died suddenly this morning of heart failure. He had not fully recovered from an attack of the grippe but was at his desk yesterday afternoon at five o'clock. He had been in the customs service for ten years, for eight years being auditor for the Memphremagog district. He was prominent in Masonic circles in this place. Mr. Storrs was the son of the late Judge D. S. Storrs of Island Pond, and he leaves his wife, one daughter and one son.

FIRE AT RICHFORD.

An Hour's Work to Put Out Blaze in L. H. Smith's House.

Richford, April 13.—Lyman H. Smith's house on Province street was badly damaged by fire yesterday afternoon. The firemen were promptly on the scene, but it took more than an hour's work to put out the flames. The roof and chamber of the ell part were gutted, also the attic and roof of the main part. Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy F. Smith have several hundred dollars worth of new furniture and household effects damaged. The cause of the fire is unknown.

BUSINESS TROUBLES.

Daniel Soule of Waterbury and Henry J. Leonard of Woodbury.

Rutland, April 13.—Two bankruptcy cases came to the office of F. S. Platt in this city yesterday. Daniel Soule of Waterbury, a laborer, has liabilities of \$206.74 and his assets amount to \$200, all claimed to be exempt. Henry J. Leonard of Woodbury, a granite cutter, owes \$268 and his assets are \$829.92, of which \$125 is claimed to be exempt.

HARDWICK IS NOW INVADED

Methodist Hosts Take Town by Storm

FOR ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Preliminary Work Was Started To-day, and the Official Program Will Be Opened To-morrow Morning.

Hardwick, April 13.—For the first time in its history, the annual Vermont Methodist conference meets at this place. Most communities of its size have entertained the conference from one to four times, and it has often assembled in villages of much smaller population. But the growth of Hardwick has been recent, and its ability to entertain a large ecclesiastical body has not long been what it is. Besides this, the growing cost of living and the increasing style generally adopted in entertaining cause it to mean much more to take in a large company of visitors for a week than it did when it signified little in addition to putting on a few "extra plates and tea cups."

According to the directory issued by the Rev. Dr. E. F. Newell, the pastor of the local M. E. church, 114 preachers, 60 preachers' wives, and 19 official visitors are expected. These 133 arrivals will be largely augmented by the laymen, or members of the ecclesiastical "lobby," who come partly to look out for a good preacher for their churches, and partly to enjoy the scenery and fellowship of the conference. Thus from 180 to 275 people from Vermont and the regions beyond will be registered in Hardwick before the dawn of the coming Sunday before the eyes of the tired natives.

A Methodist Parson on an Automobile.

Already the hosts of visitors are beginning to put in their appearance. They come by train, by stage, by team, and on foot. Thus far no one of the preachers has astonished his brethren by appearing at conference in an automobile, though rumor has it that one of the preachers has been known to ride to and from his preaching places in one of these wicked machines. And the remarkable fact is that his name is not only "Wesley," but also "John Wesley," though he is not a descendant of his illustrious prototype, as the original John left no children. However, let the general public get an excited idea of the income of a parson, and the rest will follow.

Taking Their Exams.

The examinations of the "undergraduates" of the conference is taking place this afternoon under the direction of the Rev. Francis T. Clark of Proctorsville, the registrar of the board of examination. The following preachers are scheduled to take examinations: In the first year's course of study, Arthur W. Hewitt of Plainfield, Urban T. Leighton of Canaan, John C. Hazleton of Weston, Geo. C. Westcott of Waterbury Center, and Rev. W. D. Duggan of Danville. In the second year's course of study, E. Ransom Currier of Brownsville, G. Leon Wells of Wardsboro and Fred Williams of Troy; in the third year's course of study, Chas. W. Kelley of Sheffield, Alvin W. Ford of West Newbury and Elmer F. Newell of Hardwick; in the fourth year's course of study, Irving L. Bannister of Waits River, George C. McDonald of Albany and Milo A. Turner of East Burke.

Very likely some may also come to take examinations for admission to conference on trial, one such, William C. Cristie of Everett, Mass., having already promised to put in an appearance. Some may also come to be examined for local preachers' orders. It is proving more difficult to get an adequate supply of young preachers than formerly, the demand being greater than the supply in most parts of the country. As a consequence, some of the smaller churches sometimes have to go without preaching for at least a part of the year.

A Noted Orator to Speak.

Rev. Franklin Hamilton, Ph. D., D. D., of Washington, D. C., the chancellor of the American university, a projected Methodist minister, and a projected leader before the Epworth League of the conference to-night, and to give a lecture on "The Cup of Fire" to-morrow night. Dr. Hamilton is a brother of Bishop Hamilton of Boston, and is one of the best platform speakers of the entire denomination. To-morrow morning the conference will officially open under the presidency of Bishop Daniel A. Goodsell, D. D., LL. D., of New York. Bishop Goodsell presided over the sessions of the Vermont conference at St. Albans in 1902, and made an excellent impression by his dignity, urbanity, firmness and fraternity.

Laymen to Have Innings.

On Saturday afternoon of this week, a laymen's association of some kind will be formed. The various churches of the conference have elected delegates who will meet, carry out a prearranged program, and provide for a permanent organization of some kind. This will be of great advantage, it is thought, in that it will give the laymen greater responsibility and greater opportunities, and will thus tend to develop additional loyalty. Dr. L. W. Hanson of Montpelier, formerly of Barre, will preside over the opening session of this body.

An Octogenarian Pastor.

Two deaths have occurred in the membership of the conference the past year. Rev. John McDonald, a superannuated member residing in Glover, passed away full of years and honors, having been in enforced retirement for several years on account of ill health. Rev. Pliny N. Granger of Peacham, at the ripe age of 85, dropped dead last fall. At the time of his fall to a higher world, he was the pastor of the church at Peacham, having been in the active ministry nearly 40 years. He had been twice a presiding elder, had been a state senator, an agent of the state temperance society, and was given many honorary positions. In him a greatly beloved veteran passed to his rest.

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TWO HOUSES BURN.

Double Fire at Westerville, Causing Several Thousands of Loss.

Two houses and one barn at Websterville were destroyed by fire Sunday and Monday morning, and pyrrhically all their contents were lost, causing a loss of several thousand dollars. The property included a cottage and barn belonging to John Gall and occupied by Edward Anderson, and a double-fronted house owned and occupied by Joseph Labin. Mr. Gall had his house and barn insured for \$1,000 in the agency of John Dillon, but he carried no insurance on the furniture in the house. The blaze started in the house of Labin at about half past Sunday evening, and it is said to have been caused by pouring kerosene on a fire in the stove, the flames being communicated to inflammable material nearby. The house was soon enveloped in flames, and nothing could be done to save it or the contents. The barn connected with Anderson's cottage caught fire, but the flames were put out after a hard fight. The volunteer fire-fighters thought they had the flames all out and went to bed. Shortly after two o'clock the following morning they were awakened by flames in the Anderson cottage, it being evident that sparks had been driven from the ruins of the Labin house onto the roof of the nearby property. In a very short time this house was destroyed, as there is no apparatus at Websterville to fight fire. The blaze started in the house of Labin at about half past Sunday evening, and it is said to have been caused by pouring kerosene on a fire in the stove, the flames being communicated to inflammable material nearby. The house was soon enveloped in flames, and nothing could be done to save it or the contents. The barn connected with Anderson's cottage caught fire, but the flames were put out after a hard fight. The volunteer fire-fighters thought they had the flames all out and went to bed. Shortly after two o'clock the following morning they were awakened by flames in the Anderson cottage, it being evident that sparks had been driven from the ruins of the Labin house onto the roof of the nearby property. In a very short time this house was destroyed, as there is no apparatus at Websterville to fight fire.

LONG RUN FOR NOTHING.

Fire Had Been Extinguished Before Arrival of Firemen.

The fire department was called out just before three o'clock yesterday afternoon by an alarm from box 35 at the corner of Washington and Patterson streets. The alarm was for a blaze in the basement of the house at 131 Orange street owned by W. H. Messer. The part in which the fire started is occupied by H. B. Sanborn. Some sheds of brass were hanging on a wooden partition near an incubator which Mr. Sanborn had in operation, and his idea is that in lighting the incubator he threw the match so that these sheds were ignited. The flames were extinguished with a pail of water before the arrival of the firemen and with no resulting damage. This was the first call from box 35, which is one of several new ones which were installed a short time ago.

\$1,500 SALARY LIMIT.

Will Be Proposed by Barre-Montpelier For Proposed League.

The directors of the Barre-Montpelier baseball association met in Montpelier yesterday afternoon for the purpose of organizing and electing officers. T. G. Carwell was elected president, W. E. Poole of Montpelier vice-president, William Wishart clerk, Daniel Donnelly of Montpelier secretary and treasurer. The six directors are Daniel Donnelly, A. W. Daley and W. E. Poole of Montpelier, T. G. Carwell, William Wishart and A. C. Moore of Barre. The prospects of a base ball league this summer were fully discussed and T. G. Carwell and A. W. Daley were appointed to make an effort to form a league. The local directors are ready to enter a league this summer providing a four or six team league can be formed and that each team shall deposit in a bank before June 1st \$500 as a guarantee that they will finish out the season. The salary limit should not be over \$1,500 and it was suggested that a good way to know that every team was keeping within the salary limit would be to have one treasurer for the league who would receive the gate receipts from each team and pay all of the bills of the teams.

WOODWARD—DRAPER.

Marriage of Former Barre School Teacher in Seattle, Washington.

Copies of a Seattle, Wash., paper have been received in this city announcing the marriage of Miss Carrie Draper, formerly a teacher in the public schools of this city, to Dr. Walter Woodward, formerly of Randolph, who is now located in Seattle. The marriage took place on Monday evening, March 22, at the home of Mrs. B. O. Carr, there being only a few of the friends present. The bride wore a brown traveling gown, with hat to match. Following a short wedding trip, Dr. Woodward and his bride, who were accompanied by Dr. and Mrs. John Claude Moore, at the reception the bride was crowned in white point d' esprit over white satin. Mrs. Woodward will be pleasantly remembered by a large number of people in this city, where she recently visited before leaving for Seattle.

EVERYONE SHOULD ATTEND.

Tuberculosis Exhibit Opens in Barre, Tomorrow.

The tuberculosis exhibit under the auspices of the state board of health opens in Miles' hall, tomorrow, Wednesday, at 9 a. m., and continuing till 9 p. m., Thursday evening. Don't neglect to attend it. It is free. H. H. Thomson of the state laboratory of hygiene arrived in the city this afternoon to superintend the work of getting the exhibit into shape for the opening.

HUNTED ON SUNDAY.

Four Montpelier Men Paid Fines in the Montpelier Court.

Four Montpelier men were in the city court in their city last night and pleaded guilty to Sunday hunting. They were the men arrested by Game Warden Chapin of Middlesex. The men were Maj. Glavin, Manuel Lastera, Victor Fernandez and Nicolo Aja. Their fines and costs amounted to \$12.80 each.

STILL NOT SETTLED.

Differences Between Montpelier Boss Barbers and Union.

No progress toward a settlement of the differences between the boss barbers and their employees in Montpelier was reached last night, as was expected. A meeting of the former was called for last night, but there were so few present that no action was taken.

BANKRUPTCY COURT.

Case of William Fury of Barre Was Continued To-day.

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